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The Second Sunday of Advent: Year A

4 December 2022

Evensong ✕ 4:00 P.M.

The Holy Communion ✕ 5:00 P.M.

The Reverend Canon Catherine Zappa, *Officiant & Preacher*
The Cathedral Schola

One of the jewels of the Anglican tradition, Choral Evensong is the English Reformation's fusion of the ancient evening prayer services of Vespers and Compline. "In quires and places where they sing" the service is customarily offered according to the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, whose texts for the canticles – Magnificat and Nunc dimittis – and most of the prayers (Latin, "Preces") were first published in 1549 and are translations from the still more ancient Latin and Sarum rites for the Daily Offices. Over nearly five centuries, Evensong has both inspired worshippers and moved composers to create one of the largest corpuses of sacred music in the English language, music that enlightens our experience of God at the Cathedral of St. Philip week by week.

The congregation sings the hymns and joins in silently as the choir offers music to God in praise and prayer on behalf of the world and the Church universal. Following the formal close of Evensong, an intimate "liturgy of the table" is offered at the high altar for those who wish to stay to receive Holy Communion.

All stand for

The Procession

The Opening Sentences

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

All stand as the Choir sings

The Preces and Responses

music: Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

V. O Lord, open thou our lips:

R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us:

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

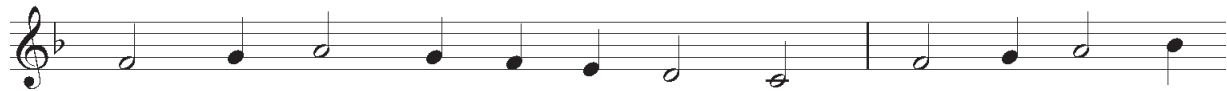
V. Praise ye the Lord.

R. The Lord's Name be praised.

Office Hymn: 67

music: Psalm 42, melody Claude Goudimel (1514-1572)

words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684), trans. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)



1 Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus
2 Hark, the voice of one that cri - eth in the des - ert
3 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er



saith our God; com - fort those who sit in dark - ness
far and near, call - ing us to new re - pent - ance
pla - ces plain; let your hearts be true and hum - ble,



mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je -
since the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn - ing
as be - fits his ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry



ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them;
cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a - broad;



tell her that her sins I cov - er,
let the val - leys rise to meet him
and all flesh shall see the to - ken



and her war - fare now is o - ver.
and the hills bow down to greet him.
that the word is nev - er bro - ken.

Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!
And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson

Isaiah 11:1-10

Lector A Lesson from The Book of Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD!

All The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Lector Here ends the lesson.

All stand for

The Magnificat

*music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924) in G
words: Luke 1:46-55; & Gloria Patri*

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm;
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat,
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All sit for

The Second Lesson

Matthew 3:1-12

Lector A Lesson from The Gospel of Matthew.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,
“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.’”

Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Lector Here ends the lesson.

All stand for

The Nunc Dimittis

*music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924) in G
words: Luke 1:46-55; ☩ Gloria Patri*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word;
for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

All sing

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

The Choir sings

The Preces and Responses

music: Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

All stand or kneel

V. Let us pray.

R. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive them that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation;

But deliver us from evil. Amen.

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us:

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. O Lord, save the State:

R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness:

R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. O Lord, save thy people:

R. And bless thine inheritance.

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord:

R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.

V. O God, make clean our hearts within us:

R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collects

A Collect

Merciful God, who sent thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

A Collect for Aid against Perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

All sit for

The Anthem after the Third Collect

music: Dan Locklair (b. 1949), Comfort ye my people

words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684), tr. Catherine Windworth (1827-1878), alt.

Comfort, comfort ye my people,
Speak ye peace, thus saith our God;
Comfort those who sit in darkness
Mourning 'neath their sorrows' load.
Speak ye to Jerusalem
Of the peace that waits for them;
Tell her that her sins I cover,
And her warfare now is over.

Hark, the voice of one that crieth
In the desert far and near,
Calling us to new repentance
Since the kingdom now is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for God a way;
Let the valleys rise to meet him
And the hills bow down to greet him.

Make ye straight what long was crooked,
Make the rougher places plain;
Let your hearts be true and humble,
As befits his holy reign.
For the glory of the Lord
Now o'er earth is shed abroad;
And all flesh shall see the token
That the word is never broken.

All stand to sing

The Meditation Hymn: 65

music: *Bereden väg för Herran*, melody from *Then Svenska Psalmboken*, 1697
words: Franz Mikael Franzen (1772-1847); tr. Composite; adapt. Charles P. Price (1920-1999)



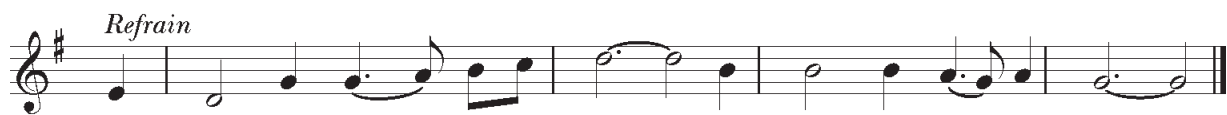
1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.
His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.
His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.



Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.
Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.
All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



Refrain
Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

All sit for

The Meditation

Canon Zappa

The Offertory Sentence

Anthem at the Offering

music: Gerre Hancock (1934-2012), *The Lord will surely come*
words: *Philippians 2:12-14*, *Benedictus Antiphon for Advent 4*

Kyrie eleison. [Lord, have mercy.]

The Lord will surely come and not delay, and He will bring to light the things hidden in darkness.

The Lord will surely come, and will manifest Himself to all nations.

Therefore work out your own salvation with fear and trembling,
that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish.

All stand or kneel for

The Intercessions

The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Grace

All sit for

The Parish Notices

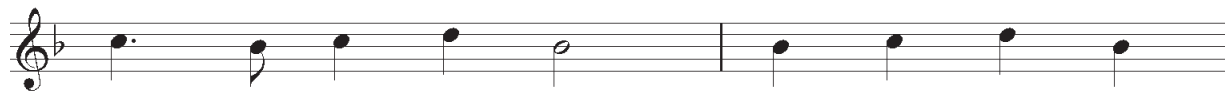
All stand to sing

The Closing Hymn: 54

*music: Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, melody from Erfurt Enchiridia, 1524
words: Martin Luther (1483-1546) after Ambrose of Milan (340-397);
tr. William M. Reynolds (1812-1876) and James Waring McCrady (b. 1938)*



1 Sa - vior of the na - tions, come! Vir - gin's
2 Won - drous birth! Oh, won - drous child of the
3 Thus on earth the Word ap - pears, grac - ing
4 Come, O Fa - ther's sav - ing Son, who o'er



Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, both
Vir - gin un - de - filed! Might - y God and
his cre - a - ted spheres; hence to death and
sin the vic - tory won. Bound - less shall your



heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.
Ma - ry's son, ea - ger now his race to run!
hell de - scends, then the heaven - ly throne a - scends.
king - dom be; grant that we its glo - ries see.

Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts; praise him for his excellent greatness. Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; praise him with lyre and harp. Praise him with timbrel and dance; praise him with strings and pipe. Praise him with resounding cymbals; praise him with loud-clanging cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Hallelujah! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.




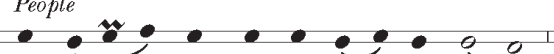


Those who wish to remain for Holy Communion may move to the front of the Nave.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Reverend Canon Catherine Zappa, *Celebrant*

The Great Thanksgiving

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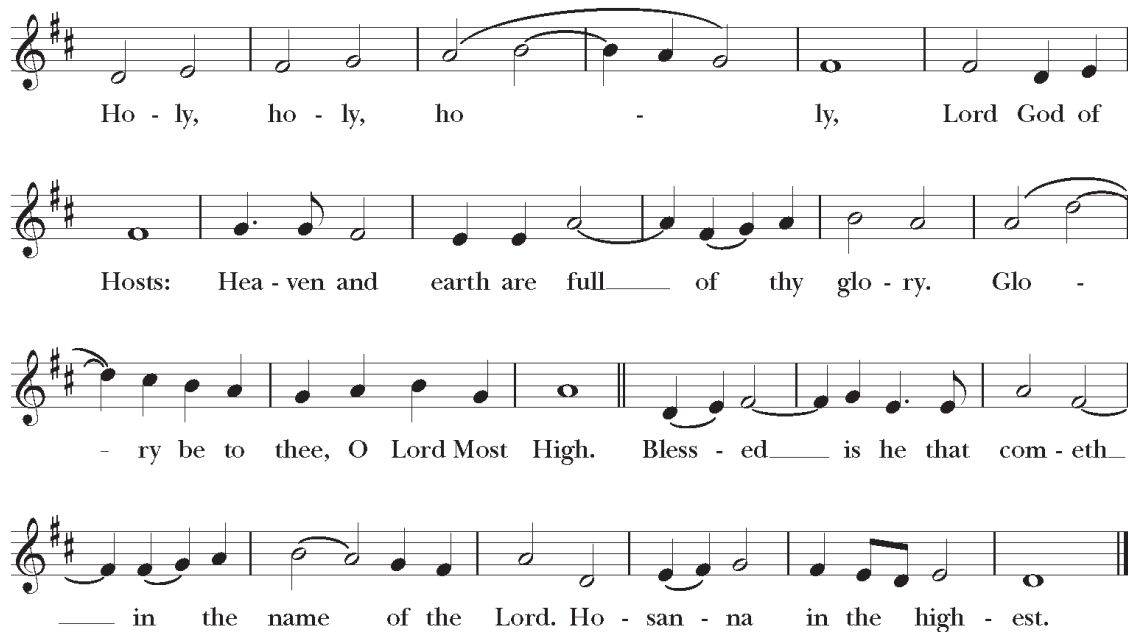
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
 <p>The Lord be with you.</p>	 <p>And with thy spi - rit.</p>
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
 <p>Lift up your hearts.</p>	 <p>We lift them up un - to the Lord.</p>
<i>Celebrant</i>	
 <p>Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.</p>	
<i>People</i>	
 <p>It is meet and right so to do.</p>	

The Sanctus: S 114

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Service music (indicated by "S" numbers) is found at the front of the Hymnal.

After the Sanctus, all may kneel or stand.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Officiant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion

All may receive the consecrated bread and wine of the Eucharist. At the altar, stand or kneel and receive the bread (a wafer) in the palm of your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Receive the wine either by drinking from the cup (guiding it to your lips) or by touching the wafer lightly to the wine. If you desire to receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest. If you need the priest to bring Communion to you in your pew, please let an usher know.

The Postcommunion Prayer

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Officiant Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.
Amen.

The Blessing

All sing

The Processional: Hymn 66 *music: Stuttgart, melody from Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793–1870), alt. words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788)*

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

The Dismissal

Officiant

All

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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